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## **Resilience Strategies in Ports and Maritime Transport in the Mediterranean Sea – Priority Areas for Policy Action**

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## **UfM:** The Euro-Mediterranean intergovernmental institution



**16** Southern and Eastern Mediterranean countries



#### MISSION

To enhance regional cooperation and dialogue through the implementation of concrete projects and initiatives addressing human development, stability and integration.





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Jordan and the EU are Co-Presidents since 2012





#### **UfM Co-Presidency**

**Co-ownership:** The Co-Presidency ensures coherence of activities as well as equal footing and representation of North and South

#### UfM Senior Officials' Meeting (SOM)

Governing Body: Trimestral meetings of the Senior Officials from the MFAs of the 43 countries

#### **UfM Secretariat**

- **1** Secretary General from the South
- 6 Deputy Secretary Generals (3 from the North and 3 from the South)
- 60 Diplomats, technical experts and project managers from +15 countries and institutions





## The 3 P's: Policies in Action – Strategic Objectives

Enhance dialogue between member states and define the UfM priorities in the priority areas of action

Identify and support regional cooperation projects that have a tangible impact on the ground and contribute to the goals set by UfM Member States in each area of action (UfM labelling)



Through a **multi**stakeholder approach, facilitate exchange on ministerial mandates; better understand stakeholders' needs; share experiences and identify best practices; put forward policy recommendations; promote concrete cooperation porjects





#### UfM Ministerial Conference on Transport, 9 Feb 2023: Deliverables



#### **UfM Ministerial Declaration of Transport**



Regional Transport Action Plan for the Mediterranean region (RTAP 2021-2027)



Evaluation report of the Regional Transport Action Plan for the Mediterranean region (RTAP 2014-2020)

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- Port disruption and resilience
- A step-by-step process to resilience building for ports and the maritime supply chain.
- Key measures that can be implemented to prepare, respond and recover from disruptions



I. PORT AND MARITIME TRANSPORT RESILIENCE IN THE NEW UFM REGIONAL TRANSPORT ACTION PLAN (RTAP) FOR THE MEDITERRANEAN REGION UNTIL 2027



## The new Regional Transport Action Plan (RTAP) 2021-2027



- Key Global and Regional Reference Policy Frameworks
- Operational objectives
- Proposed Actions
  - ✓ National Transport Strategies and Policies
  - Transport connectivity network, financing, logistics and multimodal
  - Land transport (road transport, urban mobility and rail transport)
  - ✓ Maritime transport and commercial seaports
  - ✓ Civil aviation
- Monitoring, implementation and evaluation
- Performance indicators



#### The new Regional Transport Action Plan (RTAP) 2021-2027

28 actions in total

6 actions on Maritime Transport and commercial seaports

Action 8: Regulatory reforms and accession to international agreements in maritime and port sectors

Action 9: Port efficiency improvement

Action 10: Development of maritime transport

**Action 11: Maritime safety** 

Action 12: Maritime security

**Action 13: Protection of the marine environment** 

Action 14: Training and certification of seafarers



### The new RTAP 2021-2027

**Action 9: Port efficiency improvement** 

- Improve port efficiency by placing it at the heart of national strategies:
  - ✓ regulatory reforms
  - adaptation of infrastructure and equipment to specific needs
  - interconnections between ports and other transport modes including rail transport
  - the simplification and automation of administrative procedures
    Establish indicators to boost the productivity of handling operations and reduce the dwell times
- Specific measures for
  - ✓ cutting CO₂ emissions
  - making port infrastructure and services more resilient
  - empowering women in the maritime sector



## The new RTAP 2021-2027

#### Action 10: Development of maritime transport

- Maritime transport must continue to be a priority when it comes to its development and integration into the logistics chain and with the various transport modes.
- Promote the Motorways of the Sea concept in order to:
  - strengthen integrated multimodal services
  - create better maritime transport connections between the Mediterranean ports and the TEN-T
- Convergence of environmental policies
- Resilience of maritime transport to climate change, and to possible pandemics
- Promotion of women's empowerment in maritime transport



## **II. BUILDING PORT RESILIENCE**

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## **1.** The resilience-building imperative

- Maritime transport underpins world economic interdependency and global supply chain linkages.
- Port resilience is not only an imperative for supply chains, but also for the national economies they support.
- Building the capability of countries to anticipate, prepare for, respond to and recover from significant multi-hazard threats is crucial, and requires enabling agile and resilient maritime transport systems.
- Investing in risk management and emergency response preparedness, to face future pandemics but also other disruptive events, is crucial to future proof ports and the broader maritime supply chain.



## **2.** Defining port resilience





### **3.** Actors and layers of intervention in port resilience-building





### 4. The port system and related risk factors

#### 4.1 The port interface: The hinterland and the foreland (I)





## 4. The port system and related risk factors

4.1 The port interface: The hinterland and the foreland (II)



Source: Adapted from Manners-Bell J. (2022).



## 4. The port system and related risk factors

#### 4.6 Port risk factors and challenges to resilience



Source: Adapted from Kim, Y., and L. Ross (2019).



## 5. Building port resilience: a step-by-step approach

#### Port resilience-building process: A stepwise approach







# Thank You !

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